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PART III.

Legislative Measures and Rules thereunder.

THE MYSORE NEWSPAPERS REGULATION.

REGULATION No. III OF 1908.

(Received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja on the 8th August 1908.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the efficient control of the publication of newspapers and other printed works containing public news,

HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA is pleased to enact as follows:—

Short title.

(1) This Regulation may be called "The Mysore Newspapers Regulation, 1908."

Local extent.

(2) It extends to the whole of Mysore; and

Commencement.

(3) It shall come into force thirty days after its first publication in the official Gazette.

Newspapers not to be edited, printed or published without the permission of Government.

2. No newspaper or other printed work, whether periodical or other, containing public news or comments upon public news, shall, without the written permission of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, be edited, printed or published within the territories of Mysore.

Power of Government to withdraw permission.

3. Any written permission granted by the Government of His Highness the Maharaja for the editing, printing, or publishing of any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid may at any time be withdrawn by the Government.

Consequences of editing, printing or publishing newspaper without permission or after withdrawal of permission.

4. If any person shall, without such permission as aforesaid, or after such permission has been withdrawn by the Government, edit, print or publish any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid in the said territories of Mysore, the Government may, by an order in writing, signed by the Secretary to the Government in the General and Revenue Departments,

(*a*) require such person to leave the territories of Mysore within seven days from the date of such order, and

(*b*) prohibit him from re-entering the said territories without the written permission of the Government, and

(*c*) declare all printing presses, engines, machinery, types, lithographic stones, paper, and other implements, utensils, plant and materials used or employed, or intended to be used or employed, in or for the purpose of printing or publishing such newspaper or other work as aforesaid, or found in or about any premises where such newspaper or other work as aforesaid is printed or published, and all copies of such newspaper or other work as aforesaid wherever found, to be forfeited to the Government, and dispose of the same in such manner as it shall deem fit.

Liability of offender to expulsion.

5. If any such order as is mentioned in clauses (*a*) and (*b*) of the last preceding section be disobeyed, the offender shall be liable to forcible expulsion from the territories of Mysore.

Prohibition of circulation of newspapers within Mysore in certain cases.

6. (1) No newspaper or other printed work, edited, printed or published beyond the limits of the territories of Mysore after being the subject of an order under section 4, and

(2) no newspaper in regard to which any such prohibition as is referred to in section 7 of the Newspapers (Incitement to Offences) Act, 1908, has been notified and continues in force, in British India,

shall be circulated within the territories of Mysore.

7. If any such newspaper or other printed work as is specified in section 6 shall be circulated within the territories of Mysore,

Search for and forfeiture of copies of prohibited newspapers.

(i) the District Magistrate may declare all copies of such newspaper or other printed work wherever found to be forfeited to Government and may by warrant empower any Police Officer not below the rank of Sub-Inspector to seize and carry away any copies of such newspaper or other printed work wherever found, and to enter upon and search for such copies in any premises where they may be kept for sale, distribution, publication or public exhibition, or reasonably suspected to be so kept; and

Person who circulates to be dealt with under sections 4 and 5.

(ii) any person who circulates, or attempts to circulate, or abets the circulation of, any such newspaper or other printed work in the territories of Mysore, may be dealt with by the Government under clauses (*a*) and (*b*) of section 4 and section 5, as if such person had edited, printed or published any newspaper within the territories of Mysore without the written permission of the Government.

Definition of 'Print' and cognate expressions.

8. In this Regulation the expressions "print," "printed," and "printing," shall apply not only to printing but also to lithography, engraving, and photography.

V. P. MADHAVA RAO,
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